



BJHS Bionic Broncos Robotics Team members are holding a Lego drive through March 21. The donated Legos will go to kids in Malawi, Africa. Pictured around a collection box, created to depict a Lego, with some of the items already donated are: Front row, l to r: Tristan Nieman and Alexis Fisher. Back Row l to r Joseph St. Germain, Ivan Stretten, Drew Cook and Krista Roessle.

## BJHS robotics team hosting Lego drive

Bedford Junior High School's Bionic Broncos FTC Robotics Team #6079 will be collecting donations of Legos through Monday, March 21. The Lego drive will benefit children in Malawi, Africa.

After seeing pictures of the children of Malawi playing with toys they had created from garbage or scraps, the team decided they needed Legos to further explore the science of building and designing things.

The children in Malawi already show great talent when it comes to creating things with limited resources, so the team wants to support them. The Bionic Broncos realize how fortunate they are to have the school and community support them when it comes to robotics.

Pastor Lewis Carlson of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Temperance will deliver the Legos during his upcoming mission trip. He is assisting with the project of bringing good water to remote communities of the country.

Malawi is a landlocked country in southeast Africa that was formerly known as Nyasaland. It is bordered by Zambia to the northwest, Tanzania to the northeast and Mozambique

to the east, south and west. The country is separated from Tanzania and Mozambique by Lake Malawi.

Malawi is over 45,560 sq. mi. in size with an estimated population of 16,777,547. It is among the smallest countries in Africa. Lake Malawi takes up about a third of the country's area.

It is among the world's least-developed countries with an economy that is mostly agricultural and a population that is largely rural.

In Malawi primary education is not compulsory. The country's constitution does require that all people of the country be entitled to at least

five years of primary education. Since 1994, there has been free primary education for all children.

Help the Bionic Broncos achieve their goal of filling suitcases for Pastor Carlson to deliver to children in Malawi and giving them the tools to further their creativity.

Students and faculty can drop donations off in the BJHS office or in Mrs. Henry's room, #34. The community can drop donations off at the Bedford Library, located at 8575 Jackman Rd. in Temperance during regular business hours. To schedule a pickup, email [bionicbroncos@gmail.com](mailto:bionicbroncos@gmail.com).

## St. Joseph School Open House and Registration begins March 13

St. Joseph Catholic School, located at 2238 Manhattan St., in Erie, will host an informational Open House for community members and for families who are exploring educational options for their children in grades pre-school through eight.

The annual Open House and Registration will take place on Sunday, March 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. St. Joseph School's administrative and teaching staff, as well as current students and their families, will be available to provide visitors a first-hand opportunity to see the type of faith-filled education available at St. Joseph School.

Students, parents and fac-

ulty of St. Joseph Catholic School are part of a close knit faith community dedicated to providing spiritual, intellectual, cultural, social, emotional and physical education for children.

The students have access to a wide variety of enrichment activities including student council, young authors program and community outreach programs. Athletic programs include soccer, basketball, baseball, softball, volleyball and cheerleading. The school's campus features a regulation size gymnasium and outdoor soccer and baseball fields.

Parents and faculty appreciated how the combination of Christian values, smaller class

sizes and innovative teaching methods provide a successful foundation for the students. Many students consistently score above average on state standardized tests and receive honors in their studies.

Students continue to dedicate time to community service as well. "Every day our students demonstrate their faith. From small acts of kindness to each other, to providing various services in the community, I am proud to see them grow to become responsible members of the community," stated Julie Miazgowiec, principal. "It's clear what they experience here at St. Joseph Catholic School is carried beyond the academic classroom."

Students of all faiths are welcome. Significant tuition assistance is available through various programs and scholarships offered at the school. Limited time offer through April 15, receive \$50 off the registration fee for new families. Since 1914 St. Joseph Catholic School has provided an exceptional, affordable faith-filled education.

Bus transportation is available to families in Monroe County and locations in Toledo via the school's own bus. Bussing is free to students living in the Mason Consolidated School district.

For more information, call (734) 848-6985 or visit [www.StJosephErie.com](http://www.StJosephErie.com).

## Tetelestai, dramatic musical to be performed at St. Michael Lutheran Church

Youth and adults from Upper Arlington Lutheran Church in Columbus, OH will be presenting *Tetelestai: It is Finished!* at St. Michael Lutheran Church, located at 5790 W. Temperance Rd. in Ottawa Lake on Sunday, March 20 at 7 p.m. Admission is free. A freewill offering to cover expenses will be received.

*Tetelestai* is Greek for "It is Finished" and is one of Christ's last words from the cross. The concept that on the cross Jesus Christ completed his work on the earth is central to the rock musical *Tetelestai*.

In the passion and power of youth, contemporary music and traditional costumes, this theatrical production reenacts the last week of Christ's life.

*Tetelestai* was written in 1974 by brothers Russ and Joe

Nagy, members of Upper Arlington Lutheran Church. Through the power of theater, *Tetelestai* poses these questions to the audience: could Jesus really be the Son of God, was He sent to pay the price for my sin and do I accept the forgiveness that God freely offers to all who believe?

*Tetelestai* offers a clear picture of Christ to those who yet do not know Him and also give believers an opportunity to present the Gospel to friends who do not yet put faith in Christ.

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